



SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
Washington, DC 20423

Office of Environmental Analysis

Mr. Leon Campbell
Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska
3345 Thrasher Road
White Cloud, Kansas 66094

June 20, 2011

Re: Invitation to Be a Consulting Party in the Section 106 Process
STB Docket No. AB 1068X, Missouri Central Railroad
Company—Abandonment and Discontinuance of Service
Exemption—In Cass County, Mo.

Dear Mr. Campbell:

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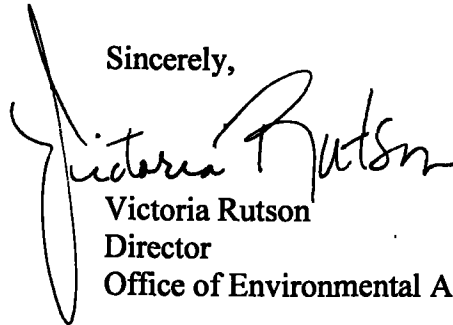
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Victoria Rutson
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cc: Judith Deel, Missouri SHPO
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Ms. Erin C. Tipton
Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma
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Perkins, Oklahoma 74059

June 20, 2011

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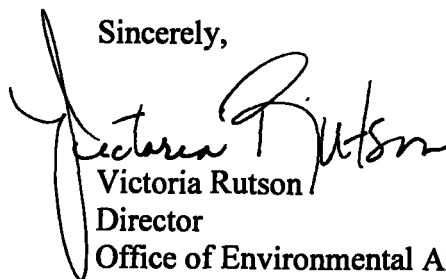
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Ms. Eleanor Baxter
Omaha Tribal Council
P.O. Box 368
Macy, Nebraska 68039

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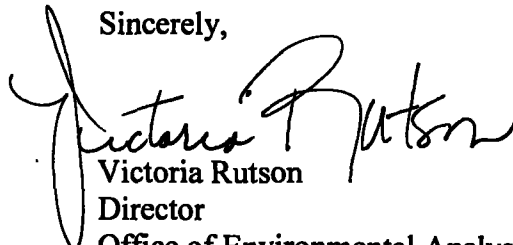
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Ms. Carrie V. Wilson
Osage Nation
223 E. Lafayette Street
Fayetteville, Arkansas 72701

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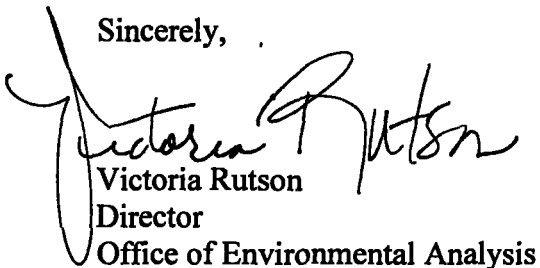
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Mr. C. Michael Harwell
Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians
8251 Highway 177
Red Rock, Oklahoma 74651

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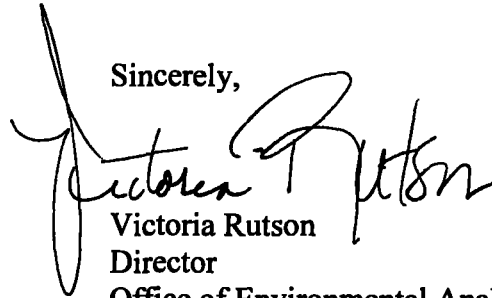
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Ms. Charla K. Reeves
Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
P.O. Box 1527
Miami, Oklahoma 74355

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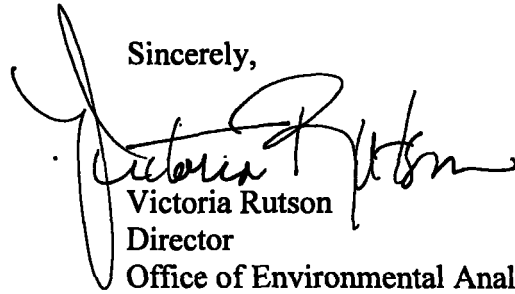
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Mr. Edmore Green
Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri
Rural Route 1, Box 60
Reserve, Kansas 66434-9723

June 20, 2011

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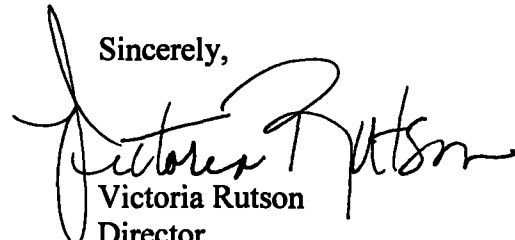
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Ms. Sandra Kaye Massey
Sac and Fox Nation of Oklahoma
Route 2, Box 246
Stroud, Oklahoma 74079

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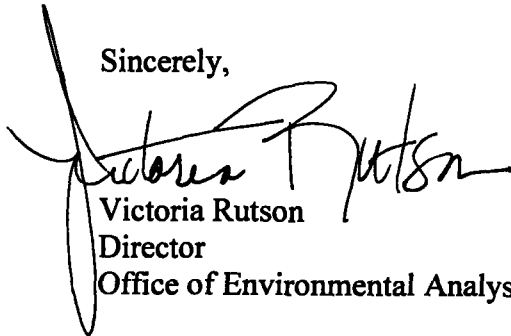
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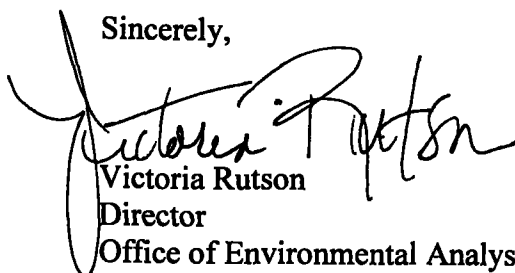
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